

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (Withdrawn). The use of a particulate, substantially water-insoluble, inorganic compound having substantially spherical particle morphology as a condom finishing powder.

Claim 2 (Currently amended). A condom according to claim 12 wherein the particles have a lower circularity factor (as defined herein) than pharmaceutical grade light magnesium carbonate.

Claim 3 (Currently amended). A condom according to claim 2 wherein the circularity factor is 15 or below, suitably 14 or below.

Claim 4 (Currently amended). A condom according to claim 12 wherein the compound has a water solubility of less than 0.05 g per 100 g of water.

Claim 5 (Currently amended). A condom according to claim 12 wherein the compound is a salt such as magnesium or calcium carbonate.

Claim 6 (Currently amended). A condom according to claim 5 wherein the salt is basic magnesium carbonate which is a mixture of magnesium carbonate and hydrated magnesium hydroxide.

Claim 7 (Currently amended). ~~[[Use]]~~ A condom according to claim ~~[[1]]~~ 12 wherein the compound has been spray dried.

Claim 8 (Currently amended). ~~The use of~~ A condom according to claim 12 wherein the finishing powder is a spray dried, particulate, substantially water-insoluble, inorganic compound ~~as a condom finishing powder~~.

Claim 9 (Currently amended). ~~[[Use]]~~ A condom according to claim 8 wherein the compound is spray dried magnesium carbonate.

Claim 10 (Currently amended). ~~[[Use]]~~ A condom according to claim 7 wherein the compound has been made according to the Aman process.

Claim 11 (Currently amended). ~~[[Use]]~~ A condom according to claim 8 wherein the particles have a lower circularity factor (as defined herein) than pharmaceutical grade light magnesium carbonate.

Claim 12 (Previously amended). A condom comprising a finishing powder which comprises a particulate, substantially water-insoluble, inorganic compound having substantially spherical particle morphology.

Claim 13 (Withdrawn). A process for rolling a condom with finishing powder thereon from an unrolled state to a roiled state or vice versa, which process comprises rolling the condom by applying suitable roiling means, characterized in that the finishing

powder is a particulate, substantially water-insoluble, inorganic compound having substantially spherical particle morphology.

Claim 14 (Withdrawn). A process according to claim 13 wherein the rolling means is applied to one side of the condom only.

Claim 15 (Withdrawn). A condom finishing powder comprising a substantially water-insoluble, inorganic compound having substantially spherical particle morphology.

Claim 16 (Withdrawn). A powder according to claim 15 wherein the particles have a lower circularity factor (as defined herein) than pharmaceutical grade light magnesium carbonate.

Claim 17 (Withdrawn). A powder according to claim 15 wherein the compound has a water solubility of less than 0.05 g per 100 g of water.

Claim 18 (Withdrawn). A powder according to claim 15 wherein the compound is a salt such as magnesium or calcium carbonate.

Claim 19 (Currently amended). [[Use]] A condom according to claim 8 wherein the compound has a water solubility of less than 0.05 g per 100 g of water.

Claim 20 (Currently amended). [[Use]] A condom according to claim 8 wherein the compound is a salt such as magnesium or calcium carbonate.